

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING MIKE SUGRUE

HON. JEB HENSARLING

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 7, 2016

Mr. HENSARLING. Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to recognize Mr. Mike Sugrue for his service to our country. Hospital Corpsman 3rd Class Mike Sugrue served at Bethesda National Medical Center in the early to mid 1960s.

As a Hospital Corpsman, Mike Sugrue was an enlisted medical specialist in the United States Navy/Marine Corps who also trained for battlefield conditions. During Corpsman Sugrue's tenure he became an instructor in the Cardio Pulmonary Lab where he trained numerous other corpsmen and doctors in arterial blood gas studies, bronchograms, bronchoscopes, as well as pulmonary blood gas studies. Corpsman Sugrue's service no doubt saved countless lives and prepared others to do the same.

Humbly, I echo the words of President Ronald Reagan, "We will always remember. We will always be proud. We will always be prepared, so we will always be free." And humbly, I offer my sincere gratitude to Hospital Corpsman 3rd Class Mike Sugrue for his service and dedication that allow us the freedoms we enjoy today.

RECOGNIZING WARREN KRECH ON HIS RETIREMENT AFTER 40 YEARS IN THE RADIO INDUSTRY

HON. BLAINE LUETKEMEYER

OF MISSOURI

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Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a constituent of mine, Mr. Warren Krech. "Mr. Jefferson City", has retired after 30 years in Jefferson City radio and over 40 years in the radio industry. Warren most recently spent his time entertaining listeners as the morning news and talk host on KWOS News Radio 950.

A native of South Dakota and graduate from the University of Minnesota, Mr. Krech found his love of radio while serving in the United States Army—specifically with the American Forces Radio & TV in East Africa. Warren and his family moved from Wisconsin to Jefferson City, Missouri in 1984. When Mr. Krech moved to Missouri, he worked for Frank Newell at KJMO. While some consider broadcasting to be a nomadic business, Warren wanted to settle his then young family in the Jefferson City community.

Throughout his radio years, Mr. Krech sat in the DJ chair, but found his niche when he was able to enter talk radio format. For 23 years, Warren has worked with John Marsh at KJMO and KWOS. During Operation Desert Storm, Mr. Krech and John Marsh, hosted a "Tape

from Home" at the local mall where people could come record their comments for friends and family who were serving in the military.

Mr. Krech is the current and three time winner of the News Tribune's "Readers' Choice" award for favorite local radio personality. Additionally, Warren is an active local emcee and speaker for charities including: Samaritan Center, Special Olympics, and Heart Association. Mr. Krech has been host of the Jerry Lewis MDA Telethon for 13 years on KOMU-TV.

With this retirement, Mr. Krech will now be able to spend more time with his wife, Marcia, who is a retired Jefferson City teacher. He has a daughter, Sarah, who lives in St. Louis and a son, Ben, who lives in Washington, DC. Warren also enjoys the St. Louis Cardinals, running, cycling, gardening, and his two cats.

I ask you in joining me in recognizing Mr. Warren Krech on his retirement. His commitment to the radio industry and his local community makes this a commendable accomplishment.

HONORING THE LIFE OF REAR ADMIRAL KEVIN FRANCIS DELANEY, USN (RET.)

HON. ANDER CRENSHAW

OF FLORIDA

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Mr. CRENSHAW. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the service and life of Rear Admiral Kevin Francis Delaney, USN (Ret.), who defended our nation with distinction for 34 years as a member of the United States Navy. He died on April 7, 2015, but on June 10, 2016 we have yet another occasion to honor his service to our country and community. On that day, Hangar 1122 at Naval Air Station Jacksonville (NAS Jacksonville) will be named in Kevin's honor for his outstanding airmanship and courage, his exceptional stewardship of natural resources, and his leadership and concern for the sailors of the United States Navy.

I'd like to take a moment to share some of Kevin's accomplishments through the course of his career both in and out of uniform. His commitment to our country did not end with retirement: He used his quality leadership skills, infectious charismatic spirit, and deep-seated care for his fellow citizens and worked hard in our Jacksonville, Florida community to make it a better place.

Kevin was a proud Vietnam Veteran. He flew helicopter gunships on 686 combat missions in support of the Navy riverine forces and SEAL units in the Mekong Delta. For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action on one of those missions, Kevin was awarded the Silver Star. In all, Kevin received 98 awards and decorations of which 64 were for combat action and also included the Distinguished Flying Cross, 11 Single Action Air Medals, 26 Strike/Fight Air Medals, and six Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Crosses.

Kevin served in six operational aircraft squadrons, had multiple major staff assignments, and was air boss on the USS *Guadalcanal* off the coast of Beirut. His naval career included six command tours including two aviation squadrons, an aircraft wing, and NAS Jacksonville. Under his command, the base was selected as the Navy's top shore installation in 1991. Kevin was awarded the Legion of Merit as Commanding Officer of NAS Jacksonville for, among other things, enhancing the quality of life for all personnel and improving the profitability of morale, welfare, and recreation programs by 107 percent by utilizing a unique Treat Everyone As Myself (TEAM) approach.

Kevin's final command, headquartered at NAS Jacksonville, was as the Navy's Regional Commander for the Southeastern United States and the Caribbean. Rear Admiral Delaney was responsible for over 40 commands, including 17 major naval installations. He received the Navy Distinguished Service Medal for his work as the Commander. The accompanying citation says: A brilliant visionary, he built solid and ambitious professional partnerships with local community agencies.

Kevin came to our town in the military, but he remained as a veteran and became a great civic leader. He was recognized as one of Jacksonville's 10 Most Influential Business Leaders of the Decade in 2000. The list of volunteer activities of Kevin Delaney is both long and varied. He served on the boards of 19 area non-profit organizations and was past chairman or president of the following organizations: the Ronald McDonald House Advisory Board, Florida State College of Jacksonville Foundation, Rotary Club of Jacksonville, Northeast Florida Safety Council, United Way of Northeast Florida, and Jacksonville Beaches Chamber of Commerce. Kevin was appointed by the Governor of Florida to serve on the Florida Defense Support Task Force and also served on the U.S. Small business Administration's National Advisory council, and on the National Board of Directors of The Wounded Warrior Project.

In 2014, Kevin was honored by the SBA as the Veteran Small Business Champion of the Year for Florida, by the Jacksonville Business Journal as a Veteran of Influence, and by the Jacksonville Regional Chamber of Commerce as the first member of its Military Hall of Fame. It was later named in his honor. Mr. Speaker, I ask you and Members of the House to join me in saluting the life and service of Rear Admiral Kevin F. Delaney, USN (Ret.).

RECOGNIZING THE GARY CRUSADER ON ITS 55TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA

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Mr. VISCLOSKY. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure and admiration that I recognize

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